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**Subject**: FOR REVIEW: Water Quality Talking Points

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## For reference:

Water Questions from Lauren Hensley, Channel 12 News:

- 1. Are there any water quality results that are available now?
- 2. Do you know where the water is being tested? How many tests have been performed? What is being tested for? How the tests are being performed?

## DRAFT talking points:

- Water quality around TPC Group Port Neches Operations is being closely monitoring, and has been since the event.
  - A Rapid Assessment Team, including representatives from TCEQ, GLO, CTEH and U.S. Coast Guard, was
    quickly deployed to assess any impact to waterways near the plant site.
- Water quality remains normal.
  - Fire water (runoff from water used in fire-fighting efforts) has been the only material discharged from the site.
- Water monitoring by environmental experts from TCEQ, EPA and CTEH has confirmed no impact to the Neches River result of the event.
- Barriers have been put in place in the vicinity of the event to assure waterways are not impacted.
  - More than 5,550 feet of containment boom is in place to assure neighboring waterways are not impacted.
  - Additionally, 8,000 feet of absorbent boom is also in place to collect and recover any liquid material other than water.

Environmental response agencies are collectively performing regular, in-person assessments of waterways and reporting any findings to Unified Command to enable quick identification of and adjustments that may need to be made to assure the effectiveness of collection and recovery efforts.

Thank you,

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